-A disturbance took place ormorant street, among a as who were having a free Bond interfered, and was combatants. The policenself likely to be worsted! spectators to assist, and eaders were arrested and One of the number was nd violent that they had to

Friday, April 29. out three days ago at the Mr. Attridge, on Whidby was committed under the astances. Mr. Attridge had hose name is unknown, and ed the man to observe the ey in his possession, which 500. Attridge replaced the on the shelf, and after lockt into the woods. The man ortunity forcibly entered the away with the contents of cted his escape and reached here he attempted to leave was arrested by a man who description. He was handched and the whole of the g \$19 was found on his perparties were counting the ner walked out and made for when our informants left he

NOHOMISH RIVER .- We learn land, who arrived vesterday und by the sloop Monitor, of ing in the death of two Inars that on the night of the med Smith and Alex Davis, ke away a woman belonging h tribe, they were resisted by d a fight ensued, Smith and and shot several of the Innom are known to have died. eded to Port Townsend and pe thence to Victoria. The . Howe, was after the perid not succeed in capturing ans were much excited over s and Smith were two well-

ACTURE .- Yesterday Messrs. nler completed a splendid iron for Major Downie's claim on -The Long Point. The pipes diameter, and the entire length 70 ft. it is in 4 ft. lengths, so easily carried, the heaviest ing 160 lbs. The pump was d in a well, and with seven discharged at the rate of 300 r per minnte. The pump me and can be very easily depth. When the effect of eable pump is witnessed we manufacturers will receive

Sooke .- A Cornish miner nin Jennings, employed at opper mines fell down sterday morning, and was ed. The shaft is 60 feet in all was fortunately broken by forty feet down; had he been dashed to pieces. The s brought to town in a boat ed by Dr. Powell, who found scaped with only a broken

bo.—By a private letter dated ived by a gentleman in this we learn that the Cariboo ams Creek, expected to botthe next day. The writer of sed \$10 to \$15 out of the e was so much water in the could not work. Shares are The Welsh Company, ime the Cariboo, had struck a el 7 feet thick, prospecting

EMBLY .- A "count-out" took House of Assembly yesterday, er and Messrs. DeCosmos and attendance. Messrs. Young, ennes made their appearance rds, The House will meet

-Mr. Thomas Ward, the heatrical manager, arrived n Portland with Captain te to San Francisco. Mr. ving much better health than is city in February last. He tland and the Dalles with his peaks highly of the encourageed in the latter place; but of Ward does not speak in very s. Mrs. Leighton, Mr. A. R. nd Mrs. Leslie, Miss Douglas Townsend, Potter, Mortimer, milton had proceeded to Banr engagement for the season s of that place. Mr. J. H. iously gone to San Francisco ion of leaving for the East. ps and Miss Fanny Mergan on the 13th instant. Miss of the Marsh troupe was 19th instant to Tom Thorne. ad completed her engage d. She desired Mr. Ward to kind wishes to her numerous ria, and to assure them that fail, under any circumstances, next season. Mr. Ward inhas the refusal of the Vicfor the season, and fully d the preposterous Civic tax hments be abolished) to come for the season about the first

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## MR. DeCOSMOS' REPORT.

This gentleman's elaborate report was introduced into the Crown Lands Committee yesterday. As the debate of that body was strictly private we are unable of course to give even a glimpse of the contents of the document. It may, however, be necessary to again urge upon the members the necessity of dispatch. Every day now which is allowed to pass without bringing the matter nearer to an issue, may prove of very serious injury to the colony. It is, in fact, a matter of regret, that a Commission was not appointed | genian since last advices : months ago; so that the result could have been laid before the House of Commons, is of too great a magnitude to be allowed to opposite side of the river from that city.

Self-quietly into the noffers of the Hudson's Washington, May 2.—The affidavits taken

might be successfully contested; the whole harbor frontage, probably worth half a million dollars mere, can be wrested from the Company if proper steps be only taken by the Government of Vancouver Island. There is not the shadew of a doubt that sufficient evidence could be obtained on this Island. were a Commission formed to-morrow, which would prove to the Imperial authorities that the Indenture of 1862 was obtained by such false representations as would justify the Home Government in at once annulling the home Government in at once annuling the instrument. It can be proved that Mr. Dallar' statements on which the sage Emigration Commissioners—Murdock and Walcott months after they were sworn into service.

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Car Francisco, May 3.—The steamer patrimony. It is no use to rely solely on the selection of the people main force towards our left. Colonial Office in Bowning street on this important question. Its members have been already weighed in the balance and found wanting. It was either to ignorance of the grossest description, or to an indifference to public interest amounting to little short of actual dishonesty, that two monentities were selected to give away to a fur trading associution the rights of the Crown and the rights of the people on Vancouver feland. What mesmeric trick Mr. Dallas practiced on these Emigration Commissioners it would be difficult to say; but it must have been of a character sufficiently potent to destroy what little judgment they possessed. In fact the magnetic influence would seem to have extended to even the Secretary for the Colonies himself; for we find His Grace, in a despatch of 1860, strictly impressing upon Governor Douglas.

Mar. Haynes, Asst. Supt. of the California son had a slight fall, the secreted no serious state Telegraph Co., accompanied by Mr. Plummer, had reached Olympia, after inspecting the proposed route which is to consider the inspecting the proposed route which is to consider the inspection of the California and the East. Mr. Haynes expressed his conviction that the fine and proposed for the California and the California and the East. Mr. Haynes expressed his conviction that the fine and proposed for the California seems and the California and the California seems to have extended to even the State Telegraph Co., accompanied by Mr. Plummer, had reached Olympia, after inspection, the lovely anny Morgan, and the East. Mr. Haynes expressed his conviction that the section of the california and the California and the East. Mr. Haynes expressed his conviction that the section of the california seems and the california seems and the california seems and the california seems and the california seems and the strictly impressing upon Governor Douglas, 'that Her Majesty's Government are not prepared to recognize any private ownership of soil in Vancouver Island by the Company, 'Tribune.'

In the midst of the May they live for and prosper.

The Overland Press is now issued in an improved form under the title of the Pacific by an occurrence a few tys ago in Sacra mente. A young fetter named Richard through many a crevasse. This is a com-

sions truly, that take the Vancouver Island ranging from \$20 to \$75. potato and generously present the Crown with the skin. We do not believe the Secretary for the Colonies was actuated by any unworthy motives in allowing the Crown to private letter from Astoria we learn that the be so unmercifully despoiled; but we do think that such simplicity and vacillation running rigging; etc., have all been stripped shown by the head of the Colonial Depart- off. Our informant thinks her cargo could be ment in this arrangement with the Pudson's saved. Capt Blake is in San Francisco, and Bay Company, are sufficient to warn the Members of our Assembly from allowing pital at Astoria — Oregonian. their case to rest entirely in the hands of the IMPORTANT TO MARINERS .- A correspond-

Arrival of the Eliza Anderson

LATER FROM THE EAST.

PADUCAH, KY., AGAIN THREATENED

Fort Pillow Massacre!

The steamer Eliza Anderson arrived this strong head wind. morning at 2 o'clock from Puget Sound. We give this as it will be of importance to The wires were down at last dates, and the mariners in showing the set of the current, following are the only dispatches to the Ore- and carry out the request of Captain Paty.

CHICAGO, May 2 -It is reported that being taken to prevent the Government pro-Paducha is again threatened. Measures are before its prerogation in July or August next. perty from falling into the hands of the enemy We pointed out in our Saturday's issue the should they again advance on that place. It enormous interests which were really at is said that over 100 people from the country stake in this matter. The sum of \$700,000 above Paducha, and contrabands are en-

net ealy this amount which some of the negroes were buried alive. The nection with the Dome stic nomination. It buried alive, not only on the day of the surrender, were such fiendish acts perpetrated but next day in cold blood. The victims seen by the committee were pierced and cut in the face with bayonets and swords, while other parts of their bodies were disfigured

either by steel or lead. HARRISBURG. May 2-Gov. Curtin has received positive assurance from the War Department last night, that the Pennsylvania Reserves will be mustered out of the service at the end of the first year from the time beautiful women of the age, as well as one

mittee yesterday. It is believed that they where she was going to put up; but they The rebels appear to be concentrating their had her clothes on.

Line down between Red Bluff and Marys-

LATEST.

At these o'clock yesterday afterneon the telegraph reported that it was snewing and blowing at Yreka. This may be considered the latest news by telegraph, as the wise was down between Jacksonville and Marysmille making the fourth break since Tuesday of the present week.

pared to sanction any thing and every thing under the superintendence of the Register which the Hudson's Bay Company may feel and Receiver of the Olympia Land District, disposed to claim. Her Majesty's Govern- on the 4th inst., according to the advertisement not only recognize this outrageous and ment which appeared in our columns for sevpreposterous assumption of the Company in eral weeks past. We learn that the whole regard to occupied land anterior to the grant, but the Duke of Newcast's in a tone of per- ernment reserved Town Site was sold, and fect magnanimity tells Governor Douglas that was mainly purchased at the appraised "the concessions thus made by the Company value, by the settlers on the different lots, and appear to him to be as great as can be deColumbia. All the unsold lots are now subdemanded from them." Glorious conces- ject to private entry at the appraised value,

FROM PORTLADD.

THE WESCH OF THE COME - BIRD .- By a mook, having drifted in there. Her sails, is said to be very badly off with his feet. The sick sailors of his crew are still in the hos-

noble Duke. Until the whole question is ent at Astoria furnishes as with the followbrought before the House of Commons we about 25 miles south of the Columbia river, have no hope whatever of the colony obtain on the 3d day of March, 1864, by Edward ing justice at the hands of the British Gov- Gervais, a half-breed. It was in a black glass

> "From on board the bark Yankee-this was dropped on the thirteenth day of August, at 5:30 p. m., civil time-year A. D., 1863; 18 days from Honolulu bound for San Frank cisco; in latituce 40 deg. 30 min. N., and longitude 146 deg. 50 min. W. All well on

"The finder will please report when, and JOHN PATY, Master. "P. S ..- We have had a head wind almost

ever since leaving Houolulu, and have now a

LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA.

SACRAMENTO, April 27, 1864. WHO SHALL BE LINCOLN'S SUCCESSOR Is still the leading question. It is now

ADAM ISAACS MENKEN.

This poetess and act ess, about whom such contrary opinions are e tertained, has left for the East, after having setted \$36,000 for the fortunate manager who induced her to visit these shores, at the same time realizing a nearly equal amount for herself. The Golden Era devotes a solumn and a quarter to her departure, and it the other papers contain more or less lengthy notices of the months after they were swont and service.

They come home to recruit and re-entist. Their occurring to fact. There is also quite sufficient evidence to show that large quantities of land mysteriously changed hands after the Indenture was made, giving to the Hudson's Bay Company the proceeds of sales to which they were clearly unentitled, and it can be preved that to the Hudson's Bay Company, servants and others, at a merely nominal figure—corroborating the assertions of the Attorney General, that a great number of the transfers represented as sales were not been fide.

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A special to the Times says Congress is not on the start of the moment. So strongly does her soul enter into these releastions that at the close she sinks down chausted, and careful hands have to adi the rim the stage in the rim to the same of the summer campaign were disappointed, as when she arrived she

THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS. Although the late raint have had an exceedingly beneficial influence, yet it is pretty well settled that the forvest will be a very poer one. In some sentions excellent crops will be reaped, while in others only half crops will reward the moor farmer's labors

As there is nothing by important to communicate by this opportunity, I will try and collect a few steay to see of interest to your

readers.

A report to the effect that the eldest boy of the present week.

A report to the effect that the eldest boy of the Orin family had the from the trapeze while performing in the and broken his neck, has been contracted, on the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the and broken his neck, has been contracted, on the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the trapeze while performing in the authority of a private letter from the authority of a private readers.

larking with some companions, was acciden taily struck by a raw potatoe in the pit of mach, he exclaimed "On!" and died almost the nervous system.

styled the Sunday Varieties, was shot in San Francisco a tew days ago, by a man named Teackle. The wound is a severe though not a dangerous one. Without wishing to be uncharitable, I may hint that several well known residents in Victoria will be relieved of much fear and trembling by this unexpeaked and merited check to the editor's un-

Richard Cranshaw is dramatizing Mrs. Braddon's sensation story of "The Outcasts," for one of the San Francisco theatres. A poem appears in one of the literary popers under the signature of Mrs. R. Cranshaw. Wonder if that doesn't stand for Nettie Sager that "used to was "" No more at present.

BUTE INLET AND HOMATHCA RIVER

VIEWED BY AN ARTIST.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST .- I send you from my note-book some items in connection with this new route to Cariboo, in the hope that they may interest your readers. Yours obediently, FREDERICK WHYMPER.

THE INLET.

On entering Bute inlet, the transition from abrupt precipitous snow-capped mountains of the mainland is very marked. But Inlet is about 35 miles long, with an average width of at least three miles. There are no islands or sand-banks, but innumerable bays, affording safe anchorage. Captain Howard told us it bears a very close resemblance to the fiords of Norway. Near the head of the pine-clad and abrupt, whilst below the Hom-Inlet some Chilcoaten Indians paddled out in athea makes its way to the sea, realizing the their canoes, and came on board the schooner to get a free ride to the town site. These individuals have rings through their noses, are extensively painted, and are done up in the inevitable blanket. For the rest, there was nothing very characteristic in their costune, some having a shirt without breeches, some breaches without a shirt. Two of them, adorned with fringes of tails derived from martins or squirrels which they had " mam-

TOWN-SITE AND ITS ADVANTAGES.

The town site, which is situated at the mouth of the Homathea, is a good one, with room enough for a city, and the clearing will be easy. The buildings so far erected, are a store-house, stables, some log houses, &c.; there is also a wharf. Immediately in the rear of the town-site there is a magnificent we terfall (of 900 feet), which could be used as motive power for a saw-mill,-although as an artist, I must protest against any such appropriation of it. Round this place there s leed, and on the other side of the river a large meadow, luxuriant with pea-vine. Mules can swim across at most seasons; when the river is swollen a scow might be

THE NATIVES.

The Chilcoaten Indians are a dirty, lazy set, and although a few Homathea Indians raise good potatoes at the head of the Inlet. the former prefer half starving in winter to exerting themselves. They disputed with their wretched cavota dogs anything we threw out of the house in the shape of bones, bacon riud, tea leaves, and other such like uxuries. Many of them are, however, willing and able to pack.

A "BLOW UP"-HIS " END" WAS NEAR. Mr. Clarke last winter missed many small things from his house at the town si'e, and could not catch the cuprits, who came down door outside himself, went away a short distance and then crept back to watch the fun. Soon an Indian came stealthily along. his extremities bare, sans culottes, sans every thing. He got nearly down the chimney when the man inside threw the powder on the smouldering ashes, and went. The Indian went off also, and with a terrific vell, but over the state of his nude portions I must draw a veil, He for months afterwards afforded a wholesome warning to his tribe, being unable to sit or lie down-

MAGNIFICENT GLACIERS.

Leaving the town site the trail is carried to the ferry (30 miles), in the valley of the Homathea, sometimes following it exactly; often taking a more direct course almost entirely through cedar and alder bottom. Shou d excursions at any period be made f om Victoria to Bute Inlet, the most interesting feature will undoubtedly be the glaciers-the "rivers of ice," the " frozen torrents," as Prof. Forbes calls them. They are innumerable. One occurs a little below the town site; another 11 miles above it, and is seen distinctly from the trail and large bridge which crosses its principal stream.

Leaving the trail I followed up some of the minor streams, having frequently to wade them. Though so early in the season they were running strong enough to take me nearly

ULLINIST by any title anterior to the grant," and in two short years afterwards, he is quite pre- ban and suburban lots of the Port Angeles native of Sydney, Australia, while sky- elsewhere they are more frequently covered. with grit and stones. Beyond are mountains -one very rounded in form-and their the stomach. Putting his hands to his sto- lower slopes, form what is termed the neve or snow basin of the glacier, and are inimmediately. So slight was the blow, that fact, the source of its continuance. The crumbthe examining physician could not detect ling away of side precipices and rocky slopes the slightest mark or bruise. It is supposed yields the stones and boulders which are dethat death was occasioned by the shock to posited in lines at the edges, forming: what are termed the moraines, and are J. Walter Walsh, editor of that vile sheet carried by the slow but continual motion of the glacier to its termination, where they topple over. Woe to the unfortunate searcher after knowledge who may bebeneath! The cracking of the ice is heard frequently-whilst from cavernous depthsthe torrents pour. The green woods come almost up to the ice. Professor Forbes says What gives to a glacier its peculiar acd characteristic feature is, that it does not belong exclusively or necessarily to the snows region already mentioned. The snow disapnears from its surface in summer, as regular. ly as from that of the rock which sustains its mass. It is the prolongation or outlet of the vister world above: its gelid mass is protraded into the midst of warm and pine-clad. slopes and greensward, and so netimes reaches to the borders of cultivation."

THE SCENERY GENERALLY.

The scenery of the river until you reach the ferry is very pleasing, but not so grand as that above it. In many places the river widens considerably, dividing into channels, leaving stony islands, which in summer are covered by its waters. In travelling up, Mc-Donald's Peak is very conspicuous, eight or ten miles away, and from some points very odd in form. It is seen from Benchee (sixty miles off,) and this affords a convincing proof that the ground between is not very high, and this is the route of the trail. Wig Mountain. the low rocky islands of the gulf to the so called from a supposed resemblance to a

wig, is a rather curious object. A little above the terry, the trail passes over a mountain in a zig-zag course, (by easy grades) and then descends into the "Amphitheatre," a grand natural curve in the mountains, and a part of the great canon. The views are here superb. Purple cliffs rise, pine-clad and abrupt, whilst below the Homwords of our I aureate-

"Waters between walls Of shadowy granite, in a gleaming pass,"

Afar off, a fine ridge of movements; with snow-srowned peaks and blide valleys, completes the picture.

After descending, you encounter the bluffs bowever, were picturesque, with wolf skin which have involved so much trouble. They robes, bair turned inwards, and the outside are conquered, and an excellent trail carried round. About forty-one miles above the town-site, and near the line of the trail, the

repulsive appearance, and her short pipe good Indian, we made our way through some where we camped. There was at that time a good deal of snow, though ere this it is all gone. Indeed its rotten state made the principal difficulty in getting up then. This glacier is three-quarters of a mile wide at leastand 10 miles long. The mountain peaks behind are grand. This glacier is not sorree from grit and debris as the lower one before described, and the ice (seen from the flat) appears only like a wot mass of rock, though some of the cracks and the dripping under edges perfeculy reveal its nature. The falling of the stones is incessant; now a shower of pebbles, now a few hundred weight of boulders, now a thimbleful of sand-but always. something coming over. In advance, and between some of the streams are islands and pyramids of large boulders, indicating that the glacier once extended thus far, these being the debris that then accumulated about its base, forming what geologists call terminal

moraines. Beyond this point there is less of interest, the country being flatter-e.go, travelling is easier.

CRICKET AT NANAIMO .- The residents of this flourishing town are evidently determined to maintain in all matters their position as the second place in importance in the colony... They have their literary institute, library, debating society (ahead of us, indeed, in all these) and now a correspondent writes us tothe chimney during his absence. At last he say that they have just organized a Cricket got a friend to go into the cabin with a quarter Club, under the most favorable auspices, with of a pound of gunpowder, and locking the the title of the Nanaimo Cricket Club. Our

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